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The Boers Reported to Have Plenty of Provisions, but to Be Running Short of Ammunition—Latest News From the Front.

Pantherberg, Orange Free State, Feb. 24.—Gen. Cronje's position is more hopeless than ever. The British forces are closing in on all sides. Our guns dominate the sloping ascents from the river on all sides, and by the rush of our machine guns on Wednesday night up the river bed the Boers lost 200 yards space in their cover.

Deerlings say the British fire has been very deadly, and affirm that Gen. Cronje himself is willing to surrender, but is overruled by the young Boers from the Transvaal.

There are women and children with the Boer forces. On Wednesday Lord Roberts sent Gen. Cronje an offer of a safe conduct for the women and children, together with a free passage to any point for them, and also an offer of doctors and medicine. Cronje's reply was a curt refusal, and desultory firing was resumed.

The kopje captured by the British last Wednesday, when 20 prisoners were taken, is a most important strategic position. Its possession should

infantry deliberately down the hills. The infantry advance was further covered by parties on the right and left firing volleys. It was slow, the British taking advantage of every bit of natural cover. The Boers on the crests of the hills, as well as from the trenches part of the way down, poured lead along the advancing line. At dark the British infantry had reached the foot of the hill, and were firing from the crests of the first line of Boer trenches.

CAPT. MONTMORENCY KILLED.

Scouts From Gen. Gatacre's Forces Compelled to Retire After Sustaining Severe Losses.

Sterkstroom, Feb. 25.—A reconnaissance Saturday in force under Gen. Gatacre with eight guns found the Boers occupying a ridge three miles beyond Mofeno, in the Stormberg direction. Montmorency's scouts charged the Boers, who crept around the second flank, pouring a deadly fire. The scouts were finally compelled to retire, having lost heavily. Capt. Montmorency was killed.

The reconnaissance was valuable and would have been most satisfactory had it not been for the unfortunate disaster to the scouts, who, whom Lieut. Col. Hosker happened to be. Their loss was four killed and many wounded and missing.

BRITISH ATTACKED.

Boer Reinforcements Lose Many Killed and Wounded and Nearly One Hundred Prisoners.

London, Feb. 26.—The war office publishes the following despatch from Lord Roberts, dated at Kimberley, February 24, at 12:20 p. m.:

"Parties of Boers recently arrived from Natal attacked our outposts in force again yesterday. They lost a good many killed and wounded and

WEEK OF DEBATES.

Forecast of the Proceedings During the Week in Both the Senate and House.

TWO MEASURES ON SENATE CALENDAR.

The Government's Policy Toward the Insular Possessions and the Seating of Senator Quay.

A Vote on the Porto Rican Tariff Bill Will Be Taken in the House—The Army Appropriation Bill Next on the Calendar.

Washington, Feb. 26.—The time of the senate during the present week will be divided between the questions of the finances, the government policy toward the insular possessions and the seating of Senator Quay upon the nomination of the governor of Pennsylvania.

The Hawaiian bill remains the unfinished business subject to removal at any time by the Quay resolution and also by the conference report upon the currency bill.

Senator Aldrich has given notice that he will make a speech in explanation of the currency bill agreement on Wednesday, and that he will call it up on Thursday and then ask final action. The request of course, will lead to a spirited contest, with many sharp speeches and to the final adoption of the report by practically the same vote by which the bill originally passed the senate. The matter may be before the senate for several days.

When he will be several speeches during the week on the Quay resolution, and there is a probability of reaching a vote on it the latter part of the week. Senator Chandler probably will speak for Mr. Quay and Senator Burrows in opposition. After these only short speeches will be heard. Senator Penrose says on Wednesday he will have the discussion confined to the morning hour, so as to not interfere with other questions before the senate, but that if a division is required the vote should become apparent, he will then present the Quay matter. He counts upon a vote late in the week and says he expects a large vote than was cast in Mr. Quay's favor in taking the resolution up.

When the Hawaiian bill is voted upon the Porto Rican bill will be taken up. Senator Devereux on Tuesday will speak on the problems connected with the Philippine islands.

HOUSE PROGRAMME.

The Event of the Week Will Be the Vote on the Porto Rican Tariff Bill—Contested Election Case.

Washington, Feb. 26.—The event of the week in the house of representatives will be the taking of the vote on the Porto Rican tariff bill. This has been set for Tuesday afternoon. Though the differences which have arisen on the bill may compel a rearrangement of the program, Extraordinary business may be taken up. The outcome of this struggle, owing to the differences which have arisen on the republican side of the chamber.

For the week the exact procedure has been arranged, except that the Alabama contested election case of Aldrich vs. Robbins will be considered soon as the Porto Rican bill is out of the way. This case involves rare questions and gives the opportunity for that extended range of debate usually elicited by questions of that nature.

The army appropriation bill is on the calendar and doubtless will receive consideration the latter part of the week. Owing to the extent of the military forces in the Philippines, the appropriations this year are exceptional, and this may bring on a general discussion of army affairs in the Philippines.

The Hawaiian bill and the Nicaragua canal bill also are awaiting a hearing, although it is not likely that either of them will be taken up this week.

MANY PEOPLE HURT.

A Destructive Fire Followed by a Series of Explosions in a Suburb of the City of Paris.

Paris, Feb. 26.—As the result of a fire that broke out at Saint Ouen, a suburb of Paris, in the electric chair at Saint Ouen, a series of explosions occurred spreading the flames until a block of six immense warehouses was involved in a huge conflagration.

A great concourse of spectators had assembled and had approached too near when, suddenly, explosion followed explosion, and the official computation shows that 120 were hurt and quite a number seriously. The loss is estimated at 2,000,000 francs.

Five Persons Killed.

Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 26.—The mid-night express on the Lehigh Valley railroad struck a carriage containing seven members of Porter Smith's family at Tuttle's crossing, about 22 miles east from Rochester, instantly killing five, and this may bring on a general discussion of army affairs in the Philippines.

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Death of a Celebrated Architect.

London, Feb. 26.—William Butterfield, the celebrated architect, is dead in his 84th year.

CALL TO BIMETALISTS.

A National Convention Will Be Held in Kansas City, July 4—Same Date as Democratic Convention.

Washington, Feb. 26.—Judge J. W. Brucker, of Colorado, professor of the United States Monetary League, has been in Washington for several days conferring with the leading bimetalists throughout the country, with the view of getting their opinions concerning the propriety of holding a national convention of bimetalists at some time in the future.

It is now definitely determined that such convention will be held in Kansas City on July 4. It is expected that some 500 or 600 delegates will be in attendance from all the states and territories. A committee has been chosen to confer with the local committee at Kansas City for the purpose of securing accommodations for the guests.

Eight Chicago Firms Burned Out. Chicago, Feb. 26.—Eight firms were burned out in a fire which destroyed a four-story brick building at 21 to 23 Jefferson street. The loss on the building was \$30,000 and on the contents \$25,000. The following firms suffered: Leamm & McGinnis, machinery; Wm. W. Vernon, gas machinery; J. Barry & Co., pattern makers; Hartley electrical; Geo. H. Nye, pump manufacturer; Chas. J. Sandham, pattern maker; A. J. Rodkin, circular addressing company; W. A. Jones Co., foundrymen.

Harry M. Weldon Stricken. Chicago, Feb. 26.—Harry M. Weldon, who for the past 20 years has been sporting editor of the Cincinnati Enquirer, was stricken with paralysis early Sunday morning as he was entering his home on Seventh street. His right side is completely paralyzed and he is unable to speak, although he is conscious. His physicians have some hopes that the stroke will not prove fatal. Mr. Weldon is 41 years old, and is well known to the sporting world throughout the United States.

Street Car Wrecked.

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 26.—A street car on the Decatur line was wrecked near Oakland cemetery by striking an obstruction, which had evidently been placed across the track. The car rolled 15 feet down an embankment. The 12 passengers on the car were more or less injured. Herschel Delapierre and Policeman Eugene Coker probably fatally.

Detroit Fireman Killed.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 26.—Fire in the plant of the Detroit Trolley and Spring Co.'s works destroyed both the company's rolling mills and caused the death of Fireman Timothy Kane, besides indirectly resulting in injuries to a physician and an ambulance driver. The property loss is about \$100,000, fully insured.

Father and Four Children Drowned.

Providence, R. I., Feb. 26.—A tragedy happened off Narragansett Pier when the large Gen. Wiley foundered during a southeast gale. Capt. Harold and four little children were drowned. The mother, Mrs. Wiley, had been in the water for some time before the mother's body was recovered. The mother's body was recovered. The mother's body was recovered.

Pioneer Flour Mill Burned.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 26.—The works of the Pioneer Flouring Co. at New Glasgow, were destroyed by fire together with a grain elevator and thousands of bushels of grain. The pioneer flour mill in the lower provinces. Loss, \$150,000.

Died in Switzerland.

New York, Feb. 26.—George Worth, the clubman and amateur pigeon shot, died Sunday at Devon-Park, Switzerland, aged 41 years. His two sisters, Mrs. Burke-Roche and Mrs. Cooper-Hewitt were with him when he died.

Chicago Man Dies After From Home.

Scoutmaster John E. Edson, 37, of Chicago, died Sunday at the Chamberlain Hotel, New York, after a long illness. He arrived here from Chicago several days ago.

Ex-Immigration Commissioner Dead.

New York, Feb. 26.—Edmund Stephenson, president of the Home Bank and who was commissioner of immigration as a state officer from 1875 until 1891 when the federal government assumed control, is dead, aged 75 years.

Men Made Idle by a Fire.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 26.—Fire destroyed three buildings of the Troy malleable iron works. Loss, \$150,000. The works had been closed for some time and will suffer from several months.

Well-Known Sporting Man Dead.

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Did Escort Duty to Lafayette.

Northampton, Mass., Feb. 26.—R. E. Cook, who as a captain of New York militia did escort duty to Gen. Lafayette on his trip up the Hudson river in 1824, died here, aged 97 years.

Frozen on a Highway.

Warsaw, N. Y., Feb. 26.—The body of John Carberry was found frozen on a highway. He had been out in January's gale and perished.

Plague in Sydney.

Sydney, N. S. W., Feb. 26.—Another case of bubonic plague has developed here and several persons have been quarantined.

THE COMMONWEALTH.

FIGHT AT A DANCE.

One Person Killed and Several Others Badly Injured, Two of Whom Car Not Possibly Recover.

Whitesburg, Ky., Feb. 26.—In a fight near Pond's Gap one person was killed and several others badly injured. The trouble occurred during a dance at the home of Bill Mullins, a Virginia moonshiner. Pistols and knives were used in the scrimmage, which lasted until the place had been cleaned of all but the wounded. John Newberry was shot and died within two hours. Ed Newberry, his brother, was fatally wounded. Luella, the 15-year-old daughter of Mullins, was stabbed three times with a dirk and can not recover. Mrs. Mullins was severely bruised and a man named Keller, of Dickinson county, was shot in the knee.

Mullins has been arrested and taken to the county jail at Clintwood where he is under a heavy guard to prevent a lynching, which has been threatened by friends of the Jennings brothers. Pond's Gap was the scene of the murder of the three Crafts brothers in December last.

MIXED TRAIN WRECKED.

It Turned Over and Slid Down an Eighteen-Foot Embankment, and Only Two Persons Were Hurt.

Taylorville, Ky., Feb. 26.—Two men were seriously hurt in a bad wreck near Taylorville Station, two and a half miles north of here. The mixed train, known as the Shelbyville and Bloomfield accommodation, met with an accident. Two passenger coaches, an express car and three freight cars left the track, turned over and slid down an 18-foot embankment.

Those badly hurt were: John T. Bashaw, a carpenter, dislocated and badly bruised; injuries not considered very serious. Howard Simpson, bruised about the body and cut about the head, considered serious. Both of the injured men live in Louisville. Mr. Bashaw is a lawyer. He formerly represented Henry county in the legislature.

The accident was caused by the breaking down of a coal car forward in the train.

Robbers With Some Compassion.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 26.—Early in the night, two men were taken outside the building late at night when two men were taken up. They bound and gagged the watchman, and leaving him in the engine room, blew open the safe in the office with dynamite, securing only \$25 in money and \$15 in stamps. They then deliberately placed the watchman in a chair before the office stove, making up the fire so he would be warm. He was found the next morning tied, gagged and blindfolded.

Reward for Goehner's Assassin.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 26.—The special committee having in charge the bill appropriating \$10,000 as a reward for the apprehension of the murderer or murderers of the late William Goehner, reported the bill to the house Tuesday with an expression of opinion that it should pass. The fight will be made to immediately approve the bill to encourage and democratic leaders have notified all democratic members to be in their seats that day. The measure will probably pass before its final passage either Wednesday or Thursday.

Will Not Demand a Requisition.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Feb. 26.—C. H. Porter, sheriff of Endicott county, Oklahoma, refused to accept a requisition, issued at Garrettsburg, near here, charged with having shot two persons at a colored festival in Oklahoma, and also shooting the marshal and deputy marshal who attempted to arrest him. He was traced back to his old home here, and made no attempt to deny the charges. He consented to go back to Oklahoma with a requisition.

Soldiers Had Smallpox.

Bowling Green, Ky., Feb. 26.—Dr. J. M. McCormack, secretary of the state board of health, received information that three members of the Covington military company have smallpox. It is known here that several of the members of the Morgantown company, which passed through this city, are ill of the disease.

Killed the Highwayman.

Pyrites, Wm. Williams, 61, of the village of Plum Lake, was on his way home when a Negro stepped before him and ordered him to throw up his hands. Williams, seeing this, drew his revolver, and using this weapon drew his revolver. He was too quick for the would-be highwayman and shot him dead. The Negro is now dead.

Executed Bradley's Sister Dead.

Somerset, Ky., Feb. 26.—Mrs. T. Z. Morrow is dead, aged 88. She was the wife of T. Z. Morrow, judge of the circuit court of the district, and sister of Gov. W. O. Bradley. Mrs. Morrow had been confined to her room for several weeks. Her death was the result of heart trouble.

Probably Froze to Death.

Richmond, Ky., Feb. 26.—William Brock, a feeble-minded resident, living just across the Fayette line from Clay's Landing, was found dead in a pasture. It is supposed he froze to death.

Stonepile Fell on Him.

Bridgeport, O., Feb. 26.—Michael Burns, aged 45, employed at the Aetna Standard mines, was instantly killed by a fall of soapstone.

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HALL IN WHICH THE DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION WILL BE HELD, KANSAS CITY, MO.

enable us to repulse any Boer reinforcements from the eastward.

The British took 30 prisoners as the result of Friday's engagement. A balloon ascended and discovered several new works, while the British guns shelled.

The scene of the last seven days' fighting is one of the prettiest spots in South Africa. The river at the point where Gen. Cronje is ensconced and fighting for life resembles some parts of the Hudson river, the ground all around sloping toward the stream. All on highlands are covered by British artillery. Cronje is faced in the front and rear from both banks by the British, while Gen. Cronje's horse, far away on the flanks, prevents a sudden rush of Boers.

- BOERS MAKE A STAND.

Details of the Battle Which Raged at Grobler's Kloof All Day Thursday and Friday.

Coleman, Natal, Feb. 24.—The Boers who had been reinforced, made a stand on Thursday at Grobler's Kloof and on a range of hills stretching over. They had been forced from all their positions on the right.

Gen. Lyttleton's division on Thursday advanced under cover of the kopjes. The Boers fired a Crusader and a "Long Tom." The British artillery was well sheltered in action at daybreak and until late in the afternoon when a heavy rifle fire on both sides developed.

The British infantry had advanced a mile and a half and a continuous fire was kept up until after dark. The Boers stuck to their positions. The British artillery fire was irregular. A few salvoes were sent toward the thickly wooded spots and ravines from which the Boer fire was heaviest. The Boers sent shells into the headquarters baggage close to the hospital, but no material damage was done. Gen. Wynne was slightly wounded.

The Boer positions are not considered strong with the exception of Grobler's Kloof. The hills eastward are not so high and can not be entrenched so well as the mountains which the British have taken.

The Somerset's were the first across the pontoons on Wednesday. They were subjected to a heavy rifle fire for five hours in an isolated position. It was the first time they had been under fire and they behaved excellently.

Early on Friday a severe rifle fire was resumed on the right and front from the positions held over night by both sides. The British naval guns, howitzers, mountain and field batteries shelled the Boer trenches incessantly. The Boers replied with two heavy guns, their shells falling over the hospital. As a result the British wounded were removed.

During the afternoon the fifth brigade, the infantry and Dublin leading, began to advance up the

